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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following amended paragraph for the pending paragraph beginning at page 9, line 24 of the specification as filed (paragraph 37 of the present patent application published as US 2002/0126330 A1):

In one embodiment for scanning wide format documents such as engineering drawings, step 100 obtains about 70 scanlines of AIQ image data and a similar number of scanlines of ~~AIQ~~ AW image data obtained. However, it should be appreciated that the number of scanlines each of AIQ image data and AW image data obtained may vary depending on the desired performance characteristics. A minimum number of scanlines, such as 50 - 70 lines, should be scanned to ensure sufficient data to be able to accurately identify possible edges. As many lines as desired can be scanned, though one may want to limit the number of scanlines obtained to 70 - 100 lines such that the edge detection process does not take an exceptionally large amount of time.